

**REPORTS**  
**of the**  
**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**COUNTY TREASURER**  
**and Other Officers of**  
**STRAFFORD COUNTY**



**For the Year Ending December 31,**  
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## COUNTY OFFICERS

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*Commissioners*

GEORGE F. LEIGHTON	<i>Farmington</i>
MAITLAND J. BERRY	<i>Rochester</i>
JAMES P. NADEAU	<i>Dover</i>

*Solicitor*

THOMAS J. MCGREAL	<i>Somersworth</i>
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*Sheriff*

STEPHEN W. SCRUTON	<i>Dover</i>
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*Clerk of Superior Court*

WILLIAM H. ROBERTS	<i>Dover</i>
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*Judge of Probate Court*

EVERETT J. GALLOWAY	<i>Dover</i>
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*Register of Probate*

ETHEL G. WALDRON	<i>Dover</i>
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*Register of Deeds*

ANNA M. MORIN	<i>Somersworth</i>
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*Treasurer*

CHARLES H. FELKER	<i>Rochester</i>
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*Medical Referee*

FORREST L. KEAY, M. D.	<i>Rochester</i>
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*Superintendent of County Farm and Jailor*

EDGAR J. HAM	<i>Rochester</i>
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*Matron*

SARAH HAM

*Rochester**Chaplain*

E. LINCOLN BIGELOW

*Farmington**Physician (Farm)*

JOSEPH H. RICHARD, M. D.

*Dover**Auditors*

GILMAN H. TWOMBLY

*Dover*

WARREN C. PARSONS

*Rochester**In Memoriam*

JAMES McCABE

Died 1938

## STRAFFORD COUNTY DELEGATION

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JOHN E. MCCOOEY, *Chairman*  
 CHARLES W. VARNEY, JR., *Clerk*

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*Dover*  
*Rochester*

BERTHA HAYES ATWOOD		<i>Barrington</i>
CLIFTON R. HAYES	Ward 1	<i>Dover</i>
SAMUEL L. HENDERSON	1	<i>Dover</i>
JOHN E. MCCOOEY	1	<i>Dover</i>
PHILIAS A. CHABOT	2	<i>Dover</i>
PATRICK J. DURKIN	2	<i>Dover</i>
WILLIAM A. GRIMES	2	<i>Dover</i>
PHILIP P. CASWELL	3	<i>Dover</i>
GEORGE W. GARLAND	3	<i>Dover</i>
HAROLD F. BLAISDELL	4	<i>Dover</i>
ERNEST L. LUCAS	4	<i>Dover</i>
*DENNIS M. McDONOUGH	4	<i>Dover</i>
EDWARD DURNIN	5	<i>Dover</i>
OREN V. HENDERSON		<i>Durham</i>
CARL C. BLANCHARD		<i>Farmington</i>
FRED L. RICHARDS		<i>Farmington</i>
FRED I. CALDWELL		<i>Lee</i>
NOT ENTITLED		<i>Madbury</i>
WESLEY H. WHITEHOUSE		<i>Middleton</i>
GEORGE W. LONGLEY		<i>Milton</i>
RALPH C. JENKINS		<i>New Durham</i>
ALFRED COLBY	Ward 1	<i>Rochester</i>
MAITLAND J. BERRY	2	<i>Rochester</i>
MILES H. DUSTIN	2	<i>Rochester</i>
RUDOLPH G. CARTIER	3	<i>Rochester</i>
LOUIS S. BERGERON	4	<i>Rochester</i>
HERVEY E. TURCOTTE	4	<i>Rochester</i>
SPENCER DICKINSON	5	<i>Rochester</i>
RALPH F. SEAVEY	6	<i>Rochester</i>
CHARLES W. VARNEY, JR.	6	<i>Rochester</i>

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\* Deceased.



GEORGE W. NUTTER		<i>Rollinsford</i>
PLACIDE J. LAGUEUX	Ward 1	<i>Somersworth</i>
NAPOLÉON A. HABEL	2	<i>Somersworth</i>
ALFRED J. BOUCHER	3	<i>Somersworth</i>
CLAIRE A. LABONTE	4	<i>Somersworth</i>
ROMEO ST. LAURENT	4	<i>Somersworth</i>
ONESIME J. DUBOIS	5	<i>Somersworth</i>



## RECORDS OF COUNTY DELEGATION

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### PROCEEDINGS

Dover, N. H., May 17, 1938.

The delegation met at the County Farm and after dinner, Chairman McCooey called the members to order.

George F. Leighton, Chairman of the County Commissioners, and Charles H. Felker, County Treasurer, spoke concerning the financial condition of the County. It was brought out that under the present state law the 1938 appropriation for relief would be inadequate. Several members asked Mr. Felker and Mr. Leighton questions. Mr. Boucher from Somersworth spoke and Mayor John F. Conrad of Rochester addressed the delegation concerning the relief and unemployment situation.

It was moved by Mr. Cartier to postpone action until later in the year, which was seconded by Mr. Bergeron. Mr. Varney and Mr. Bergeron spoke on the question. Mr. Jenkins offered an amendment to the motion of Mr. Cartier to provide for an additional appropriation of \$15,000 for support of the poor off the Farm. On a voice vote the amendment was defeated. The original motion of Mr. Cartier was then put on a roll call. Richards, Colby, Berry, Dustin, Cartier, Bergeron, Habel, Boucher, St. Laurent, and Dubois voted in the affirmative. Henderson of Dover, McCooey, Chabot, Grimes, Durnin, Blanchard, Whitehouse, Jenkins, Dickinson and Varney voted in the negative. The vote being a tie, the motion was lost. It was then moved by Mr. Varney to increase the appropriation for the support of the poor off the Farm by

\$30,000 for the year 1938, making the total appropriation for this item \$80,000, which motion was duly seconded. Mr. Colby offered an amendment to change the amount from \$30,000 to \$15,000 and on a voice vote the amendment was defeated. A roll call was then taken on the original motion and those voting in the affirmative were: McCooey, Chabot, Grimes, Durnin, Whitehouse, Jenkins, Berry, Dustin, Bergeron, Dickinson, Varney, Habel, Boucher, St. Laurent and Du-bois. Those voting in the negative were Henderson of Dover, Blanchard, Richards, Colby and Cartier and the motion carried.

The question was then brought up about the old jail. It was moved by Mr. Varney to authorize the County Commissioners to consult with the County Solicitor and if, in his opinion, the Commissioners had a legal right to do so, to make such disposition of the old jail, so-called, as they deemed fit. This motion was duly seconded and on a voice vote the motion prevailed.

Meeting adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman.

CHARLES W. VARNEY, JR.,

*Clerk of the Strafford*

*County Delegation.*

## RECOMMENDATIONS OF STRAFFORD COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR 1939 AND 1940 BUDGETS

### General Government:

Salaries of:	1939	1940
(a) Commissioners,	\$3,600 00	\$3,600 00
(b) Treasurer,	400 00	400 00
(c) Auditors,	50 00	50 00
(d) Solicitor,	1,200 00	1,200 00
(e) Medical Referee,	300 00	300 00
(f) Sheriff,	1,000 00	1,000 00

### Expenses of:

(a) Above Officers,	5,000 00	5,000 00
(b) Register of Deeds,	1,000 00	1,000 00
(c) Register of Probate,	500 00	500 00
(d) Re-indexing,	1,500 00	1,500 00

### Care and Supplies for Court

House,	3,000 00	3,000 00
Superior Court Expenses,	18,500 00	18,500 00

### Public Welfare:

County Farm and Jail,	36,000 00	36,000 00
Support of Poor Off Farm,	100,000 00	100,000 00
Old Age Assistance,	4,500 00	5,000 00
Board and Care of Children,	24,000 00	24,000 00
Soldiers' Aid,	4,000 00	4,000 00

### Interest:

On Bonds,	1,960 00	1,680 00
On Long Term Notes,	350 00	175 00
On Temporary Loans,	1,000 00	1,000 00

### Indebtedness:

Bonds Payable,	7,000 00	7,000 00
Long Term Notes Payable,	10,000 00	10,000 00

Deficit of 1938 (Note Payable),	25,000 00	None
All Other Payments:		
Farm Bureau,	5,000 00	5,000 00
Miscellaneous,	3,500 00	3,500 00
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	\$258,360 00	\$233,405 00



**BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 1938**

## General Government:

## Salaries of:

(a) Commissioners,	\$3,600 00
(b) Treasurer,	400 00
(c) Auditors,	50 00
(d) Solicitor,	1,200 00
(e) Medical Referee,	300 00
(f) Sheriff,	1,000 00

## Expenses of:

(a) Above Officers,	4,500 00
(b) Register of Deeds,	1,000 00
(c) Register of Probate,	500 00
(d) Re-indexing,	1,500 00

## Care and Supplies for Court

House,	2,500 00
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Superior Court:	15,000 00
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## Public Welfare:

County Farm and Jail,	36,000 00
Support of Poor Off Farm,	*80,000 00
Old Age Assistance,	6,000 00
Board and Care of Children,	10,000 00
Soldiers' Aid,	1,500 00
Blind Aid,	650 00

## Interest:

On Temporary Loans,	3,360 00
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## Indebtedness:

Bonds,	7,000 00
Deficit of Previous Year,	10,600 00

## All Other Payments:

Farm Bureau,	4,500 00
Miscellaneous,	3,500 00

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\$194,660 00

\* Special appropriation for Direct Relief voted by the  
Delegation May 17, 1938.

## TO THE CITIZENS

### OF STRAFFORD COUNTY:

In accordance with Chapter 41 of the Public Laws of the State of New Hampshire, the Commissioners of Strafford County herewith present the annual reports of the County Commissioners, County Treasurer, Clerk of Superior Court, Sheriff, Solicitor, Superintendent of the County Home and House of Correction, Farm Physician, Farm Chaplain and County Auditors for the year ending December 31, 1938.

We wish to express our deep appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Edgar J. Ham, Superintendent and Matron of the County Home, for their very efficient, economical, and humane supervision of the institution during the past year. Due to their prudent management there remained a substantial balance of the Farm and Jail appropriation unspent at the end of the year. The average weekly cost per capita for all inmates has risen slightly to \$5.18. This increase was largely due to the fact that after June 1, 1938 inmates whose board had previously been paid by towns and cities became County charges under the new settlement law which resulted in a considerable decline in County Farm revenue. Certain extraordinary expenses of repairing hurricane damage also contributed to increase costs. We feel very proud of our County Home and we are certain that its management compares favorably with other like institutions throughout the State.

We wish to thank the Chaplains, Physician and all connected with the Home for their conscientious and faithful service.

During 1938 the County has been reimbursed by the State for its Direct Relief payments as follows:

For November and December, 1937, 20%

For January, February, March and April, 20%

For May, 15%

After May the County received no more reimbursement for its expenditures for Poor off Farm, Board and Care of Children and Soldiers' Aid. There appears to be no prospect for any further reimbursement of these expenditures to the County during the coming year which means that 1939 income will decline some \$17,500.00 for this item alone.

The new Settlement Law above referred to went into effect on June 1, 1938. This new law directly resulted in the transfer of 104 Direct Relief cases from towns and cities to Strafford County, and the addition of 42 new cases of children whose board and care is paid by the County. Not a single Direct Relief case was transferred from the County to the cities and towns. To this factor is principally due the substantial increase in Strafford County's Direct Relief expenditures in 1938 over those of 1937. The widespread unemployment during the past year has also kept many employables on the relief rolls.

With the number of those eligible for relief from the County at an all-time peak and no reimbursement in prospect we can only foresee an even higher net expenditure for direct relief by Strafford County in 1939 than during the past year. Only widespread reemployment can substantially reduce the load.

As of this writing the board and care of 126 children is being paid by Strafford County. This item is fixed by the State Board of Welfare and Relief at \$18.00 per month for those from three to sixteen years of age and at \$20.00 per month for infants under three years old and the placing of these children is largely

recommended by the State Board. It should be noted that the 1938 appropriation for Board and Care of children has been exceeded by about \$9,000.00. While the Board of Commissioners does not accept entire responsibility for this increase we do feel that the expenditure is likely to pay eventual dividends to the taxpayers of the County in the form of better public health and citizenship and less juvenile crime.

The administration of the Old Age Assistance law was transferred from County to State authorities on July 1, 1938. While this change resulted in some decrease of the work of your commissioners and a smaller staff of County employees the net amount to be expended by the County for Old Age Assistance will not be materially reduced by this administrative change.

We wish to thank the County Delegation for its action of May 17, 1938, increasing the 1938 budget from \$164,660.00 to \$194,660.00. After paying the 1937 deficit of \$11,471.71 and after meeting the increased charges for direct relief we must still show a deficit for 1938, which seems entirely unavoidable under the circumstances.

We wish to point out a deficit of \$3,744.39 in the expense of the Superior Court. The Commissioners have no jurisdiction over the expenditures in this department, the appropriation for which has proved to be consistently inadequate for several years past. A larger appropriation for this item seems necessary to avoid such recurrent deficits.

A year ago we recommended to the Delegation that serious consideration should be given to the Old Jail building on Washington Street, in Dover. We wish to reiterate the fact that this building is not in good repair and does not really pay its way. Unless



the Delegation sees some possible future use for this building, we feel that it should be disposed of.

We wish to thank all the City, Town and County officials who have aided us or cooperated with us in any way during the past year.

GEORGE F. LEIGHTON,

MAITLAND J. BERRY,

JAMES P. NADEAU,

*County Commissioners.*

## Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures

	Appropriations	Reimbursements	Amt. Available	Expend.	Unexp. Bal.	Overdraft
Salaries .....	\$6,550 00		\$6,550 00	\$6,562 80		\$12 80
Expenses .....	4,500 00	\$1,929 81	6,429 81	7,228 77		798 96
Court House .....	2,500 00		2,500 00	3,301 08		801 08
Superior Court Expenses .....	15,000 00		15,000 00	18,744 39		3,744 39
Farm and Jail .....	36,000 00	8,351 35	44,351 35	42,611 01	\$1,741 29	
Support of Poor .....	80,000 00	16,214 13	96,214 13	103,813 65		7,599 52
Board and Care of Children .....	10,000 00	1,400 54	11,400 54	20,427 06		9,026 52
Soldiers' Aid .....	1,500 00	433 92	1,933 92	4,419 40		2,485 48
Old Age Assistance ..	6,000 00	55,089 49	61,089 49	52,369 59	8,719 90	
Blind Aid .....	650 00	1,197 64	1,847 64	1,959 50		111 86
Interest .....	3,360 00		3,360 00	3,347 79	12 21	
Interest on Long Term Notes .....	600 00		600 00	525 00	75 00	
Principal of Bonds ..	7,000 00		7,000 00	7,000 00		
Deficit of 1936 .....	10,000 00		10,000 00	10,000 00		
Farm Bureau .....	4,500 00		4,500 00	4,875 00		375 00
Register of Deeds ...	1,000 00	4,317 25	5,317 25	4,415 99	901 26	
Re-indexing .....	1,500 00		1,500 00	1,721 84		221 84
Register of Probate ..	500 00		500 00	490 97	9 03	
Miscellaneous .....	3,500 00	514 87	4,014 87	2,407 94	1,606 93	
Deficit of 1937 .....				11,471 71		11,471 71
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	\$194,660 00	\$89,449 00	\$284,109 00	\$296,693 49	\$13,065 62	\$36,649 16
Net Overdraft of Appropriations				23,583 54		
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					\$36,649 16	\$36,649 16

**FINANCIAL REPORT**  
of Strafford County for the Fiscal Year Ending  
December 31, 1938

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ASSETS

Cash on hand,	\$2,431 87
Accounts due to the County:	
Taxes due from Towns,	1,235 07
Old Age Assistance,	243 72
Other Assets:	
Strafford Savings Bank No.	
50913 in hands of Treasurer,	50 00
Total Assets,	\$3,960 66
Excess of liabilities over assets (Net debt),	104,622 62
Grand Total,	\$108,583 28

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LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by the County,	\$14,583 28
Temporary Loans Outstanding:	
Strafford National Bank,	25,000 00
Long Term Notes Outstanding:	
December 5, 1939	
Lincoln R. Young	
& Co.,	\$10,000 00

December 5, 1940

Lincoln R. Young

&amp; Co., 10,000 00

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 20,000 00

Bonds Outstanding:

Refinancing 4% bonds payable

at the rate of \$7,000.00 per

year, 49,000 00

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 \$108,583 28

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 Total Liabilities, \$108,583 28

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 RECEIPTS
*Current Revenue:*

Taxes from Towns and

Cities, \$196,221 10

Interest, 23 30

Income of Institutions:

County Home, 7,783 31

Reimbursement of expenditures

for support of poor, old age

assistance, soldiers' aid:

From State of New Hamp-

shire, 57,406 71

From Towns and Cities, 13,573 28

From other sources, 514 87

Register of Deeds, fees, 4,317 25

Blind Aid from State, 1,197 64

Refunds Old Age Assistance

from recipients, 4,087 90



*Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:*

Temporary loans during year, 210,000 00

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\$495,125 36

Deficit at first of the year, —471 71

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Total Receipts from All Sources, \$494,653 65

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## PAYMENTS

## CURRENT MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

*General Government:*

## Salaries of

Commissioners, \$3,600 00

Treasurer, 400 00

Auditors, 50 00

Solicitor, 1,200 00

Medical Referee, 312 80

Sheriff, 1,000 00

## Expenses of

Above Officers, 7,228 77

Register of Deeds, 6,137 83

Register of Probate, 490 97

Care and Supplies for Court  
House, 3,301 08

*Superior Court:*

Jury payrolls, 6,241 05

“State vs—” payrolls, 112 68

Counsel fees, 1,337 57

Stenographer, etc., 1,394 58

Clerk of Superior Court, 3,817 70

Sheriff and deputies, 5,840 81

*Public Welfare:*

County Farm expenditures and Jail,	42,611 01
Support of poor not on County Farm,	103,813 65
Old Age Assistance,	52,369 59
Board and care of children,	20,427 06
Aid to soldiers,	4,419 40
Aid to blind,	1,959 50

*Interest:*

Paid on temporary loans,	1,107 79
Paid on long term notes,	525 00
Paid on bonded debt,	2,240 00

*Indebtedness:*

Payments on temporary loans,	196,000 00
Payments on principal of bonds,	7,000 00
Long term note,	10,000 00

*All Other Payments:*

Farm Bureau,	4,875 00
Miscellaneous,	2,407 94

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Total Payments for all Purposes,	\$492,221 78
Cash on hand at end of year,	2,431 87
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Grand Total,	\$494,653 65

DETAILED STATEMENTS OF EXPENDITURES  
I, II, III, IV, V, VI, VII

## I. COUNTY OFFICERS' EXPENSES, 1938

Salaries of case workers,	\$3,000 00	
Salaries of office force,	2,110 00	
County Agent at Somersworth,	135 00	
Solicitor's expenses,	558 36	
James Cavanaugh, P. M., postage,	260 31	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Dover office,	222 03	
Supplies, forms and printing,	598 48	
Transportation, special meetings,	88 84	
Petty cash,	5 00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Farmington,	35 94	
Express,	17 25	
Rent of Rochester office,	136 00	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., Rochester office,	50 56	
Electricity, Rochester office,	11 00	
Total,		\$7,228 77

## II. RE-INDEXING PROJECT, 1938

Salary of Supervisor,	\$375 00	
Salary of Stenographers,	1,170 00	
Supplies and printing,	176 84	
Total,		\$1,721 84

## REGISTER OF DEEDS, 1938

Anna M. Morin, salary,	\$2,000 00
Grace M. Ames, assistant, salary,	1,040 00
Services of Stenographer,	390 00
James Cavanaugh, P. M., postage,	91 00
Forms, printing, office supplies,	668 18

Telephone,	72 35
Cataloguing and indexing plans,	154 46
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Total,	\$4,415 99

## III. REGISTER OF PROBATE EXPENSES

James Cavanaugh, P. M., postage,	\$46 84
Forms, printing, office supplies,	373 88
Telephone,	57 75
Bond,	12 50
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Total,	\$490 97

## IV. COURT HOUSE EXPENSES

Salary of Janitor,	\$1,400 00
Assistant,	50 00
Disinfectant,	69 50
Toilet articles, drinking cups,	48 26
Coal (Dec., 1937, \$465.16-Dec., 1938, \$406.73),	871 89
Ice,	61 00
Lumber, hardware, painting,	339 62
Express,	1 47
Sand,	2 50
Repairs to boiler,	268 00
Electric lights,	138 21
Water bill,	50 63
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Total,	\$3,301 08

## V. EXPENDITURES FOR POOR OFF FARM

Board and care of adults,	\$5,740 00
Burial expenses,	851 50
Cash payments,	2,525 00
Clothing,	2,222 89
Electric bills,	100 41
Fuel, coal, wood,	9,118 57



Groceries,	49,153 01	
Hospitals,	5,572 96	
Medical:		
(1) Dentistry,	\$304 50	
(2) Doctor's fees,	4,245 00	
(3) Glasses,	54 10	
(4) Medicine,	552 72	
(5) Nurses' fees,	58 50	
(6) Salaries,	2,200 00	
(7) X-Ray,	19 00	
	<hr/>	7,433 82
Moving furniture,	70 00	
Rents,	13,487 61	
Repairs on stoves,	13 70	
Transportation to clinics,	346 92	
Transportation of C. C. C. boys,	26 92	
Sewing projects,	2,653 62	
Seeds,	4 65	
Surplus commodities,	1,224 40	
Somersworth sidewalk project,	1,049 60	
Tolend Park project,	6,625 97	
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Total,		\$108,233 05

## VI. MISCELLANEOUS

Insurance covering Court House,		
Farm buildings and old jail,	\$2,179 61	
Tax on old jail,	120 00	
Water bill for old jail,	20 05	
Repairs to old jail,	88 28	
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Total,		\$2,407 94

## VII. STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM BUREAU—EXTENSION

SERVICE, 1937-1938

*Receipts*

Balance in bank from 1936-1937, \$328 31

Received from County 1937-1938, 4,500 00

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Total, \$4,828 31*Expenditures*

County Agricultural Agent, \$1,902 98

Home Demonstration Agent, 1,256 19

4-H Club Agent, 1,430 50

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Total, \$4,589 67*Balance*

Receipts, \$4,828 31

Expenditures, 4,589 67

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Balance in Bank, June 30, 1938, \$238 64

## COMPARATIVE DEBT STATEMENT

*Liabilities*

	December 31 1937	December 31 1938
(a) Bonds outstanding,	\$56,000 00	\$49,000 00
(b) Long term notes,	30,000 00	20,000 00
(c) Temporary loans outstand- ing;	11,000 00	25,000 00
(d) Bills payable,	17,251 68	14,583 28
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	\$114,251 68	\$108,583 28

*Assets*

(e) Treasurer's balance,	\$471 71*	\$1,863 83
(f) Cash receipts not depos- ited,	none	568 04
(g) Strafford Savings Bank Ac- count,	50 00	50 00
(h) Bills receivable,	12,787 97	1,478 79
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Total Assets,	\$12,366 26	\$3,960 66
Excess of Liabilities over Assets,		
Net Debt,	\$101,885 42	\$104,622 62
Increase in Debt,	\$2,737 20	

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\*Deficit.

**TREASURER'S REPORT****EXPENDITURES**

Cash Deficit from 1937,	\$471 71
Salaries of County Officers,	6,250 00
Expenses of County Officers,	7,228 77
Register of Deeds,	4,415 99
Re-indexing Deeds,	1,721 84
Register of Probate,	490 97
Medical Referee,	312 80
Superior Court expense,	18,744 39
Care and supplies for Court House,	3,301 08
County Farm and jail expenses,	42,611 01
Old Age Assistance,	52,639 59
Support of Poor not on Farm,	103,813 65
Board and care of children,	20,247 06
Soldiers' Aid,	4,419 40
Blind Aid,	1,959 50
Payment on bonds,	7,000 00
Long term notes,	10,000 00
Tax anticipation notes,	196,000 00
Interest on bonds and notes,	3,872 79
Farm Bureau grant,	4,875 00
Miscellaneous,	2,407 94
County Farm receipts not deposited,	568 04
Cash balance December 31, 1938,	1,863 83
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	\$495,125 36

**RECEIPTS**

Taxes from towns and cities,	
1937 levy,	\$2,796 17
Taxes from towns and cities,	
1938 levy,	193,424 93
Interest on taxes,	23 30

County Farm receipts,	7,783 31
Reimbursement from State,	
Direct Relief,	18,298 75
Reimbursement from State,	
Needy Blind,	1,197 64
Reimbursement from State,	
Old Age Assistance,	39,107 96
Reimbursement from towns and	
cities, Old Age Assistance,	13,573 28
Old Age Assistance from recip-	
ients,	4,087 90
Register of Deeds fees,	4,317 25
Temporary loans issued during	
year,	210,000 00
Rent of old jail,	220 00
Miscellaneous,	294 97
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	\$495,125 36

I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1938.

The credit of Strafford County remains good in spite of largely increased direct relief expenditures which is proved by the fact that we are able to borrow money in anticipation of taxes at rates lower than ever before.

A current deficit for 1938 of \$23,111.83 must be met out of the appropriation for 1939. In spite of this large deficit the net County Debt has increased only \$2,737.20 during 1938.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Commissioners for their cooperation and Miss Theresa Carrier for her competent assistance during the past year.

CHARLES H. FELKER,

*Treasurer.*



## AUDITORS' REPORT

We, the undersigned, Commissioners and Auditors of Strafford County, do hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of said County and find said accounts are correctly cast and properly vouched and the balance of cash on hand January 1, 1939, to be:

Bank Balance,	\$4,601 33
Outstanding warrants,	2,737 50

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\$1,863 83

Receipts December 30, 1938,	568 04
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\$2,431 87

We further state that we have destroyed by burning the following paid notes, bonds and coupons:

<i>Amount</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Rate</i>	<i>When Paid</i>	<i>Where Payable</i>
\$11,000.00	11-24-37	2%	1-11-38	Strafford National Bank
50,000.00	1- 3-38		12- 6-38	Strafford National Bank
50,000.00	1- 3-38		12-15-38	Strafford National Bank
10,000.00	6-15-37	1¾%	12-12-38	Lincoln R. Young
35,000.00	6-16-38		12-13-38	Strafford National Bank
50,000.00	6-16-38		12-29-38	Strafford National Bank

Seven \$1,000 bonds due August 1, 1938, and coupons amounting to \$2,240.

Total bonds outstanding against the County amount to \$49,000.00. Notes outstanding against the County, \$45,000.00.

Accounts receivable,	\$243 72
Accounts payable,	14,583 28
County tax due County,	1,235 07

GEORGE F. LEIGHTON,  
MAITLAND J. BERRY,  
JAMES P. NADEAU,  
*County Commissioners.*

GILMAN H. TWOMBLY,  
WARREN C. PARSONS,  
*County Auditors.*

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND MATRON OF THE COUNTY FARM, 1938

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In making the annual report for 1938 we wish to express our appreciation to the commissioners for their consideration and thoughtfulness for the members of the Home.

We want to thank Dr. Richard who has been so faithful in caring for the sick, the Chaplain, Rev. E. Lincoln Bigelow, and his wife, for their kindness in conducting services and providing special music, also the Catholic priests who have looked after the spiritual needs of the members.

We have had an efficient staff of helpers and realize it is through their cooperation that we have been able to carry on the work.

We wish to acknowledge the fine entertainment and generous gifts of the Catholic Daughters of America, the splendid service and generosity of the W. C. T. U., and to Miss Jenkins, the Dover librarian, who has provided the Home with books from the library, also Mrs. James Keenan who has brought us magazines and other reading matter.

In fact, we owe a great deal to the different organizations and people of the County who have been so thoughtful of us here at the Home, but it is impossible to mention each one.

Respectfully submitted,

EDGAR J. HAM,  
*Superintendent.*

SARAH F. HAM,  
*Matron.*

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE COUNTY FARM, 1938

### DETAIL OF RECEIPTS

A. Boarders:		
City of Dover,	\$1,200	36
Durham,	212	13
Farmington,	21	29
Lee,	241	52
Madbury,	15	00
N. H. Cancer Commission,	129	99
Rochester,	846	62
Rollinsford,	245	13
Somersworth,	269	99
Other Boarders,	1,008	36
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		\$4,190 39
B. Clothing sold,	\$48	06
C. Farm produce,	393	33
D. Swine and poultry,	722	64
E. Milk and cream,	612	46
F. Cows and neat stock,	1,202	70
G. Miscellaneous,	613	78
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		\$3,592 92
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		\$7,783 31

### DETAIL OF PAYMENTS

A. Jail and house of correction:	
Wages,	\$605 83
Supplies,	4 00

Repairs,	378 65	
Other expenses,	48 50	
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		\$1,036 98
B. Farming:		
Seed and fertilizer,	\$1,349 75	
Labor,	1,248 01	
Supplies,	4,187 86	
Other expense,	831 33	
Equipment,	219 80	
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		\$7,836 75
C. Dairy:		
Feed,	\$2,004 57	
Labor,	685 00	
Supplies,	427 65	
Other expense,	133 87	
Equipment,	32 48	
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		\$3,283 55
D. Operation and Maintenance of Plant:		
Labor,	\$7,275 71	
Provision,	7,208 96	
Clothing,	887 41	
Supplies,	1,764 59	
Health,	1,426 16	
Additions and repairs,	1,768 98	
Fuel, light and water,	7,035 43	
Other expense and fixed charges,	3,086 52	
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		\$30,453 76
Total Expenditures,		<hr/>
		\$42,611 01

Due the Farm December 31, 1938:

Board from cities and towns		
and others,	\$519 14	
J. F. Smith,	84 00	
	<hr/>	\$603 14

Accounts Payable:

For coal, grain, provisions, etc.,	\$2,144 63
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PER CAPITA COST OF INMATES AT COUNTY  
FARM, INCLUDING HOUSE OF CORRECTION  
AND JAIL PRISONERS

	No. Weeks	No. Days
Alms House,	4,687	3
House of Correction,	1,953	1
Jail,	401	3
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	7,042	0
Boarders,	814	4
Employees and visitors,	1,103	0
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	8,959	4
Total of bills paid by commis- sioners,	\$42,611 01	
Inventory, January 1, 1938,	49,025 43	
Accounts payable, December 31, 1938,	2,144 63	
Accounts due Farm at begin- ning of January 1, 1938,	682 33	
	<hr/>	\$94,463 40
Cash receipts from Farm,	\$7,783 26	
Inventory at end of year,	45,873 65	
Accounts payable, January 1, 1938,	3,727 57	



Accounts receivable, December

31, 1938,

603 14

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 \$57,987 62

Balance against Farm,

\$36,475 78

 Number of weeks served county charges—7,042  
 weeks.

 Per capita cost per week not including boarders,  
 employees and visitors, \$5.18.

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 INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY AT  
 COUNTY FARM, DECEMBER 31, 1938

## 1. Superintendent's Department:

A. Office,	\$305 00
B. Parlor,	300 00
C. Kitchen and pantry,	1,050 00
D. Dining room,	200 00
E. Sleeping rooms,	700 00

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 \$2,555 00

## 2. Inmates' Department—Men's Wing:

A. Dining room,	\$250 00
B. Reading room,	10 00
C. Barber shop,	50 00
D. 31 sleeping rooms,	620 00
E. Second hand clothing,	150 00
F. Operating room,	500 00
G. Store room,	983 05
H. Attic contents,	350 00

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 \$2,913 05

## 3. Inmates' Department—Women's Wing:

A. Dining room,	\$150 00
B. Chapel,	150 00

C.	Store room supplies,	782 17
D.	Sewing room and con- tents,	541 69
E.	Sleeping rooms,	400 00
F.	Contagious ward,	75 00
G.	Detention room,	50 00
H.	Second hand clothing,	50 00

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\$2,198 86

4. Basement Women's Wing:

A.	Meat room,	\$137 00
B.	Vinegar room,	30 00
C.	Big store room,	317 36
D.	Inmates' kitchen,	2,280 00
E.	Pork room,	
F.	Superintendent's store room,	450 88
G.	Flour room,	65 00
H.	Coal and wood,	35 00
I.	Canning room,	680 00
J.	Butter room,	90 00

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\$4,085 24

5. Other Personal Property:

A.	248 hens and 98 roosters,	\$496 50
B.	50 hogs,	1,750 00
C.	31 shoats and 9 small pigs,	355 00
D.	6 horses,	1,000 00
E.	42 cows,	3,360 00
F.	23 heifers,	1,495 00
G.	2 steers,	250 00
H.	7 calves,	145 00
I.	2 bulls,	250 00
aE.	78 sheep,	900 00
aF.	2 bucks,	100 00
aG.	Ensilage,	1,000 00

aH.	Hay,	2,400 00	
aI.	Manure,	500 00	
J.	Dairy room,	225 00	
K.	Grain,	325 00	
L.	Storage cold,	1,500 00	
M.	Boiler room and contents,	3,500 00	
N.	Blacksmith shop,	300 00	
O.	Oil room,	200 00	
P.	Coal and wood,	200 00	
Q.	Shavings and bedding,	100 00	
R.	Fire extinguishers,	200 00	
S.	Hose house and contents,	900 00	
T.	Pumps and motors,	2,500 00	
U.	Engine room,	1,000 00	
V.	International truck,	700 00	
W.	Dodge car,	600 00	
X.	Studebaker car,	50 00	
Y.	Farm machinery,	2,800 00	
Z.	Farm wagons,	370 00	
aA.	Storm windows and screens,	350 00	
aB.	Lumber,	150 00	
aC.	Contents of turnkey's office, sleeping rooms and cells,	650 00	
aD.	Contents of laundry,	3,000 00	
		<hr/>	\$33,621 50
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			\$45,373 65
Yarded logs,			500 00
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			\$45,873 65

## SCHEDULE OF COUNTY PROPERTY

### Lands and Buildings:

(a) Court House,	\$39,480 00
(b) Jail, old,	9,400 00
(c) County Farm,	91,180 00
(d) House of Correction,	22,560 00

Note: County buildings are charged  
with depreciation at the rate of 3%  
per year.

### Furniture and Equipment:

(a) Court House,	\$3,263 96
(b) Jail,	3,150 00
(c) County Farm,	45,873 65
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	\$214,907 61

## REPORT OF CLERK

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To the Commissioners of Strafford County:

I hereby render to you an account of my Expenditures and Receipts as Clerk of the Superior Court for said County, from October 22, 1937, to October 21, 1938:

### FEBRUARY TERM, 1938

#### EXPENDITURES

Geo. J. Foster & Co., printing dockets,	\$72 50
Neal Binding Co., binding dockets,	23 65
Neal Binding Co., binding Naturalization Index,	8 50
C. F. Whitehouse, printing,	71 70
Horne & Schwartz, stationery,	16 07
H. W. Dubois Co., ribbons and stationery,	14 29
1,000 printed envelopes, (2c stamp),	22 16
Pitman Pub. Co., note-books for Court stenographer,	7 73
X-Ray Illuminator and express,	19 54
Postage,	10 94
Office supplies,	12 93
343 pages Extended Records, and certifying same,	108 82
Mittimi, Capii, subpoenas, issued,	10 20
E. H. Quimby, typewriter hire for Court stenographer,	5 00
30 divorce returns to State Registrar,	3 00
Entry fee, 16 State cases,	4 80
Salary, 6 months,	1,250 00
Attendance at Court, 56 days,	280 00
	\$1,941 83



## RECEIPTS

77 civil entry fees,	\$69 30
55 equity entry fees,	49 50
1 State appeal,	90
19 Dockets sold,	38 00
Costs: State v. Machacas,	25 00
Costs: State v. Dodier,	50 00

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\$232 70

Paid to State Motor Vehicle Department,

Concord, N. H., April 5, 1938

Fine, in part: State v. Machacas, \$25 00

To amount due Clerk, \$1,941 83

To amount due County, 232 70

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Balance due Clerk, \$1,709 13

Approved for \$1,709.13, and the Clerk will draw an order on the County Treasurer for said sum.

A. J. CONNOR,

*Presiding Justice.*

April 4, 1938.

## SEPTEMBER TERM, 1938

## EXPENDITURES

Neal Binding Co., binding criminal docket,	\$15 75
Geo. J. Foster & Co., printing dockets,	72 50
Neal Binding Co., binding dockets,	23 65
Neal Binding Co., binding criminal docket,	15 75
Standard Accident Ins. Co., in re. State v. McKinnon,	285 35
Note-books for Court Stenographer, Pitman Pub. Co.,	19 32
Phaneuf Printing Co., folios for dockets,	7 21
C. F. Whitehouse, printing,	15 00
H. W. Dubois, office supplies,	13 43

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Office supplies,	4 10
Postage,	8 24
271 pages Extended Records, and certifying same,	81 30
Certifying 144 Judgments,	11 52
Entry fees, 20 State cases,	6 00
Mittimi, Capii, Subpoenas, etc.,	15 70
E. H. Quimby, typewriter hire for Court Stenographer,	3 00
36 divorce returns to State Registrar,	3 60
Salary, 6 months,	1,250 00
Attendance at Court, Special Sessions (Apr. 27 and July 11),	10 00
Attendance at Court, 39 days,	195 00
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	\$2,056 42

## RECEIPTS

123 civil entry fees,	\$110 70
62 equity entry fees,	55 80
6 State appeals,	5 40
Costs: State v. Cochetti,	50 00
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	\$221 90

Paid to State Motor Vehicle Department,  
Concord, N. H., October 14, 1938

Fine: State v. Cochetti,	\$200 00
To amount due Clerk,	\$2,056 42
To amount due County,	221 90
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Balance due Clerk,	\$1,834 52

Approved for \$1,834.52, and the Clerk will draw an order on the County Treasurer for said sum.

F. W. JOHNSTON,  
*Presiding Justice.*

October 21, 1938.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ROBERTS,  
*Clerk of Superior Court.*

## REPORT OF THE SOLICITOR

To the Commissioners of Strafford County:  
Gentlemen:

I herewith submit to you my report covering the period from January 1, 1938, to December 31, 1938.

1. Cases handled in Superior Court.

1. February Term, 1938.

### A. INDICTMENTS

State vs. Robert Bonser: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for breaking and entering. Plea of guilty and sentenced to six months in the House of Correction; sentence suspended. Mittimus to issue at call of County Solicitor.

State vs. Ralph R. Jennings: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for adultery. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to not less than one year and one day and not more than two years in State Prison.

State vs. Joseph Roberts: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for larceny. Plea of Nollo, and sentenced to six months in the House of Correction; sentence suspended. Mittimus to issue at call of County Solicitor.

State vs. Stephen Marchacos: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for reckless driving, death resulting. Plea of Nollo. Fined two hundred dollars; fine paid.

State vs. Arthur Dubois: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for statutory rape. Trial by jury;

found guilty. Sentenced to not less than three and not more than five years in State Prison.

State vs. Robert Dutilly: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for embezzlement. Plea of not guilty. Trial by jury, and found not guilty.

State vs. Lucien Normand: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for breaking, entering and larceny. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to six months in House of Correction. Sentence suspended. Mittimus to issue at call of County Solicitor.

State vs. George T. Brown: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for obtaining money under false pretenses. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to six months in House of Correction.

State vs. Robert Keller: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for attempted robbery: Nol prossed on motion of County Solicitor.

State vs. Howard Long: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for murder. Long at the present time is confined at State Prison under sentence of death in case of State vs. Howard Long—Belknap County.

State vs. Stanley Wildes: Indicted at February Term, 1938, for uttering a check. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to six months in House of Correction.

State vs. Anthony Cassell: Indicted at February Term, 1938, as accessory after an attempted robbery. Nol prossed on motion of County Solicitor.



## B. APPEAL CASES

State vs. Arthur Goupil: Appealed from a conviction in Rochester Municipal Court on the charge of operating a motor vehicle in a reckless manner. Nol prossed on motion of County Solicitor.

## 2. Cases handled in Superior Court

## 1. September Term, 1938.

## A. INDICTMENTS

State vs. Elmer Stevens: Indicted at September Term, 1938, for assault. Plea of Nollo. Sentenced to one year in House of Correction; sentence suspended. Mittimus to issue at the call of the County Solicitor.

State vs. Charles Verenbeck: Indicted at September Term, 1938, for breaking and entering. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to not less than three and not more than five years in State Prison. Prisoner escaped, later apprehended and committed to State Prison.

State vs. Raymond Goodwin: Indicted at September Term, 1938, for arson. Plea of guilty. Later committed to State Hospital at Concord.

State vs. Charles Hale: Indicted at September Term, 1938, for larceny. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to one year in House of Correction. Sentence suspended during good behavior.

State vs. Michael Berry: Indicted at September Term, 1938, for breaking, entering and larceny.

Plea of Nollo. Sentenced to six months in House of Correction. Committed.

State vs. Elmer Wormell: Indicted at September Term, 1938, for larceny from the person. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to six months in House of Correction. Sentence suspended during good behavior. Mittimus to issue at the call of the County Solicitor.

State vs. John F. Smith: Indicted at September Term, 1938, for forgery. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to six months in the House of Correction.

State vs. Irving Dunlap and Harlan Annis: Indicted at the September Term, 1938, for breaking, entering and larceny. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to one year in the House of Correction. Sentence suspended. Mittimus to issue at the call of the County Solicitor.

State vs. John Rousseau: Plea of guilty, and sentenced to six months in the House of Correction. Sentence suspended during good behavior.

State vs. Albert Estes: Indicted at September Term, 1938, for breaking and entering. Plea of guilty, and sentenced to one year in the House of Correction. Sentence suspended, and respondent placed on probation for two years.

#### B. APPEAL CASES

State vs. Morris Liptzer: Appealed from a conviction in Rochester Municipal Court on a charge of maintaining a lottery. Plea of not guilty. Trial by jury, and found guilty. Appeal taken to the Supreme Court.

A number of juvenile cases were presented at both terms of court by the Probation Officer. Since my last report to you the Probation Officer, Phil Caswell, has investigated all cases and has been of great help to the County Solicitor in aiding in the disposition of the cases.

In submitting this, my final report, I wish to thank the law enforcement officials in the various cities and towns for their kind cooperation as well as the State Police Department and the Motor Vehicle Inspectors.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS J. MCGREAL,  
*County Solicitor.*

## REPORT OF THE SHERIFF

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SEPTEMBER TERM, 1938

County of Strafford

To STEPHEN W. SCRUTON, Sheriff—Dr.

Paid Rev. Edwin L. Noble, Chaplain,	\$5 00
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STEPHEN W. SCRUTON, Sheriff

39 days attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	\$195 00
2 nights attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	10 00
2 miles travel @ 10c,	20
	\$205 20

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HARVEY D. SMITH, Deputy Sheriff

19 days attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	\$95 00
2 nights attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	10 00
19 days travel @ \$2.00,	38 00
15 dinners @ 50c,	7 50
	\$150 50

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VALMORE G. GAGNE, Deputy Sheriff

11 days attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	\$55 00
11 days travel @ \$1.00,	11 00

11 dinners @ 50c,	5 50	
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		\$71 50

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JOHN LEPINE, Deputy Sheriff

9 days attendance at Court		
@ \$5.00,	\$45 00	
9 days travel @ \$3.60,	32 40	
7 dinners @ 50c,	3 50	
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		\$80 90

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EDGAR J. HAM, Deputy Sheriff

3 days attendance at Court		
@ \$5.00,	\$15 00	
3 dinners @ 50c,	1 50	
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		\$16 50

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HENRY N. LARSON, Deputy Sheriff

16 days attendance at Court		
@ \$5.00,	\$80 00	
2 nights attendance at Court		
@ \$5.00,	10 00	
16 days travel @ \$3.00,	48 00	
12 dinners @ 50c,	6 00	
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		\$144 00

Hotel Leighton, meals for Jury,		
(as per bill attached),		\$56 90

Transporting prisoners:

From Jail to Court, 11 @		
\$2.00,	\$22 00	

From Court to Jail, 5 @ \$2.00, 10 00

	\$32 00
Stenographer,	\$5 00
Total,	\$767 50

October 21, 1928.

Approved for \$767.50.

FRANCIS W. JOHNSTON,  
*Presiding Justice.*

Received payment October 22nd, 1938.

STEPHEN W. SCRUTON,  
*Sheriff.*

#### FEBRUARY TERM, 1938

County of Strafford

To STEPHEN W. SCRUTON, Sheriff—Dr.

Paid Rev. Buell W. Maxfield, chaplain, \$5 00

STEPHEN W. SCRUTON, Sheriff

56 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00, \$280 00

6 nights attendance at Court

@ \$5.00, 30 00

2 miles travel @ 10c, 20

\$310 20

HARVEY D. SMITH, Deputy Sheriff

28 days attendance at Court

@ \$5.00, \$140 00



4 nights attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	20 00
27 days travel @ \$2.00,	54 00
21 dinners @ 50c,	10 50

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\$224 50

## VALMORE G. GAGNE, Deputy Sheriff

14 days attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	\$70 00
1 night attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	5 00
14 days travel @ \$1.00,	14 00
11 dinners @ 50c,	5 50

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\$94 50

## JOHN LEPINE, Deputy Sheriff

18 days attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	\$90 00
4 nights attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	20 00
18 days travel @ \$3.60,	64 80
14 dinners @ 50c,	7 00

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\$181 80

## EDGAR J. HAM, Deputy Sheriff

8 days attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	\$40 00
1 night attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	5 00

8 dinners @ 50c,	4 00
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\$49 00

## HENRY N. LARSON, Deputy Sheriff

10 days attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	\$50 00
1 night attendance at Court	
@ \$5.00,	5 00
10 days travel @ \$3.00,	30 00
10 dinners @ 50c,	5 00

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\$90 00

Hotel Leighton, meals for Jury,  
(as per bill attached),

\$111 30

## Transporting prisoners:

From Jail to Court, 9 @ \$2.00,	\$18 00
From Court to Jail, 8 @ \$2.00,	16 00

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\$34 00

Stenographer,

\$5 00

Total,

\$1,105 30

April 4th, 1938.

Approved for \$1,105.30.

A. J. CONNOR,

*Presiding Justice.*

Received payment April 8th, 1938.

STEPHEN W. SCRUTON,

*Sheriff.*

## REPORT OF THE CHAPLAIN

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The Chaplain of Strafford County Home and House of Correction submits his report for 1938.

The religious life of those who are living here has been cared for by the regular services conducted by the chaplain and his wife, assisted by Christian workers from surrounding churches, on the second Sunday of each month. Special musical selections have been provided at every service by volunteers from the nearby churches. Such services are acknowledged gratefully.

In addition to these regular services, other Protestant ministers and religious workers have held services and visited in special cases of illness and need. The Roman Catholic Church has sent its priests in cases of illness and need.

The W. C. T. U. held a service at the Home and Jail as is the custom. They served ice cream and cookies.

Reading matter has been distributed. The Chaplain has done some calling.

The Chaplain wishes to express his gratitude to the Superintendent and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ham, for their splendid cooperation, and commend them for their loyalty and faithfulness. Also for the kindly assistance of all other officers.

As to the faithful Board of County Commissioners, the Chaplain wishes to welcome the new members and wish them and the retiring members, success, also to thank the Board for the sympathetic and thoughtful performance of their duties during the past year.

To the citizens of the County, the Chaplain believes that they should be grateful for all that is done to make easy the lives of those who are inmates of the farm.

Respectfully submitted,

E. LINCOLN BIGELOW,  
*Chaplain.*

## REPORT OF COUNTY PHYSICIAN

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To the Commissioners of Strafford County:

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Strafford County Home Physician for the year 1938.

For an aggregation of old persons admitted mostly on account of old age and incurable diseases, the inmates enjoyed good health and were well cared for by the officers and nurses who deserve my most sincere thanks for their generous cooperation.

We had two cases of contagious diseases: Erysipelas. No births at the farm. We had fewer cases of insanity than during the previous years. We had twenty-one deaths; 75% from diseases of the circulatory system.

Number of regular visits to the farm,	52
Number of extra visits to the farm,	35
Number of regular visits to the jail,	45
Number of extra visits to the jail,	6

Respectfully submitted,

J. H. RICHARD, M. D.

## PRISONERS AT STRAFFORD COUNTY JAIL DURING 1938

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<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
22	30	2	Annis, Harlan Breaking, entering and larceny	Farmington
22	10	4	Breaking, entering and larceny	Dover (Superior Court)
24	5	6	Baker, Raymond J. Larceny	Rochester
30	3	2	Berry, Michael Breaking and entering	Somersworth
45	34	5	Brown, George T. Intent to cheat and defraud	Dover (Superior Court)
23		5	Brunelle, Ernest Held for Parole Officers at Concord, N. H.	Dover
32	1	4	Burleigh, Charles Breaking, entering and larceny	Rochester
22	10	6	Call, Frank A. Larceny	Dover
21	24	0	Call, Howard D. Larceny	Dover
21	7	0	Cassell, Anthony Assault and Larceny	Dover



<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
36	4	4	Caswell, Harry M. Non-support of wife and children	Dover
22	2	4	Cronin, Leonard C. (alias) William Sullivan Breaking and entering with intent to steal	Dover
60	6	3	Daniels, William Begging	Dover
48	5	3	Demers, Louis E. Operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor	Dover
21	7	5	Drapeau, Kenneth Causing pregnancy	Rochester
19	30	2	Dunlap, Ervin Breaking, entering and larceny	Farmington
26		6	Fogarty, Raymond Driving after his license had been revoked. Driving under the influence of liquor Oct. 18. Leaving the scene of an accident. Driv- ing under the influence of liquor Dec. 24.	Dover
34	14	4	Doyle, Paul T. Driving a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
28	1	4	Goodwin, Raymond Arson	Rochester
25	30	1	Hale, Charles Larceny of automobile	Rochester
		2	Hemlein, Russell E. Larceny of Ford automobile	Rochester
28	5	6	Jennings, Ralph E. Adultery	Rochester
42	10	6	Johnson, Jesse Drunk	Dover
21	7	0	Keller, Robert Assault	Somersworth
		1	Miller, Melvin J. Non-support	Dover
65	27	5	Poor, Thomas E. Lewd and lascivious behavior	Dover
27	6	2	Porell, Oscar Non-support	Rochester
26	1	0	Pouliot, Raymond Larceny	Rochester
68	13	1	Randall, George Breaking, entering and larceny	Somersworth
31	5	6	Roberts, Joseph Larceny	Rochester
34	15	4	Rochleau, Cleophas Non-support	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
28		6	Sanborn, James Carrying a concealed weapon	Dover
38	1	4	Sheehan, John Breaking, entering and larceny	Rochester
32	7	5	Silver, Manuel Assault	Rollinsford
55	1	6	Smith, John H. Forgery	Dover
42	21	4	Stevens, Elmer Assault	Dover
20	24	0	St. Jean, Maurice Breaking, entering and larceny of auto	Dover
31	15	1	Verenbeck, Charles Breaking and entering with intent to steal	Dover
35	1	0	Wilders, Stanley T. Passing a worthless check	Dover
29	5	6	Wormell, Elmer Larceny	Dover
19		4	Wong, Henry Assault and larceny	Dover
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## Statistics of Strafford County Farm, House of Correction and Jail for the Year, 1938

### Inmates at Strafford County Farm January 1, 1938

Men,	87	
Women,	26	
Children,	1	
	—	114

### Admitted during the year :

Men,	65	
Women,	22	
Children,	10	
	—	97
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		211

### Died :

Men,	19
Women,	1

### Discharged :

Men,	58	
Women,	18	
Children,	11	
	—	107

### At Farm December 31, 1938 :

Men,	75	
Women,	29	
	—	104

### Prisoners at Strafford County House of Correction January 1, 1938

Men,	53
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## Committed during the year:

Men,	145
Women,	2
1935 absconded men returned,	1
1937 absconded men returned,	1
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## Discharged during the year:

Men,	162
Women,	2
State Hospital,	1
Died,	1
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## Remaining in House of Correction December 31, 1938

Men, 36

## Prisoners at Strafford County Jail January 1, 1938

Men,	13
Women,	
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## Committed during the year:

Men,	28
Women,	
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Total,

41

## Discharged during the year:

Men,	34
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## Absconded:

Men,	1
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## Remaining in Jail December 31, 1938

Men, 6

## Prisoners at the Strafford County House of Correction During 1938

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<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
45	8	2	Adams, Melvin J. Driving while under the influence of liquor	Rochester
50	11	2	Angelopous, Peter Non-support	Dover
46	10	5	Arnoldy, Napoleon Drunk	Dover
47	6	1	Arnoldy, Napoleon Drunk	Dover
53	15	1	Atwood, Charles Drunk	Dover
44	11	6	Balb, Fred C. Assault	Rochester
63	4	2	Beaulieu, Charles Drunk	Somersworth
60	3	6	Beaulieu, Theodore Drunk	Rochester
61	7	5	Bennett, George Drunk	Dover
40	7	1	Berry, Michael Non-support	Somersworth
40	7	1	Berry, Michael Drunk and disturb- ing the peace	Somersworth



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<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
40	15	3	Berry, Michael Breaking and entering	Dover
24	6	0	Bolduc, Eugene Non-support	Somersworth
42	20	2	Boulet, Gideon Drunk	Rochester
46	13	2	Brawn, Lewis W. Drunk	Dover
39	4	3	Breen, Herbert J. Assault	Dover
32	3	1	Brown, Earl F. Drunk	Dover
33	4	2	Brown, Earl F. Drunk	Dover
33	26	5	Brown, Earl F. Drunk	Dover
24	8	6	Brown, Solomon Illegal sale of liquor	Dover
60	9	1	Brown, Walter Drunk	Farmington
67	5	0	Burke, Patrick Drunk	Dover
62		3	Burley, Archie Drunk	Dover
62	15	5	Burley, Archie Drunk and disturbing the peace	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
32	4	3	Burley, Charles Drunk	Rochester
39	6	3	Carhart, Claude W. Drunk	Dover
40	12	0	Caron, Edward Drunk	Rochester
50	3	2	Carroll, George Drunk	Rochester
27	4	2	Cecchetti, Robert Driving under the influence of liquor	Dover
32	1	0	Charboneau, Antonio Drunk	Somersworth
51	6	3	Chasse, Joseph A. Drunk	Dover
33	6	3	Connelly, Charles H. Drunk	Dover
64	15	3	Connors, John Drunk	Dover
64		3	Connors, John Drunk	Dover
40	2	5	Conway, John Drunk	Dover
41	15	1	Conway, John J. Drunk	Dover
42	15	2	Conway, Joseph Drunk	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
42	6	3	Conway, Joseph Drunk	Dover
42	1	5	Conway, Joseph Drunk	Dover
60	2	3	Corson, Charles Drunk	Rochester
41	7	6	Crateau, Alphonse Non-support	Rochester
54	0	6	Cote, Gideon Drunk	Somersworth
37	15	1	Centure, Edmund Drunk	Dover
69	15	0	Coutreau, Oliver Drunk	Dover
61	9	1	Curran, William Drunk	Dover
37	6	5	Dadmun, Raymond N. Operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor	Rochester
46	14	5	Daley, Peter Drunk	Dover
22	10	3	Davis, Frank Drunk	Dover
19	9	0	Davis, Harry Aggravated assault	Dover
26	0	3	Day, Kenneth Driving without a license	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
63	8	2	Dearborn, Ernest I. Drunk	Rochester
54	6	3	Demers, Louis Drunk	Farmington
69	17	2	Devlin, Thomas Drunk	Dover
62	28	1	Donahue, Vincent Drunk	Dover
63	16	3	Donahue, Vincent Drunk	Dover
		2	Donavan, Wm. E. Drunk	Dover
42	3	6	Eaton, Harold Drunk	Rochester
42	5	4	Eaton, Harold Drunk	Rochester
42	4	2	Eaton, Harold Drunk	Rochester
44	4	6	Drapeau, George Non-support	Rochester
31	2	5	Dube, Frank Drunk	Dover
61	13	0	Edson, Ben Illegal sale of liquor	Rochester
19	8	4	Eldredge, Wm. Non-support	Somersworth
26		1	Fogarty, Raymond Driving under the influence	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
			of liquor. Driving after his license was revoked. Leav- ing the scene of an accident.	
48	3	5	Emery, Alden Drunk	Farmington
48	9	2	Emery, Edgar Drunk	Rochester
27		2	Estes, Albert C. Breaking, entering and larceny	Rochester
45	11	4	Flanigan, Thomas Drunk	Dover
40	14	5	Flanigan, Wm. Drunk	Dover
22		1	Fogarty, Ansil B. Allowing an unlicensed per- son to drive his motor ve- hicle	Durham
22	24	4	Foster, Ernest C. Larceny of an auto	Dover
41	17	6	Friel, Michael Drunk (2 mitt.)	Rochester
33	7	1	Gagne, Alfred J. Drunk	Dover
54	15	6	Gagne, Thomas Drunk	Somersworth
40	16	1	Gagnon, Henry Larceny	Rochester

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
40		4	Gagnon, Oscar Drunk	Rochester
55	1	1	Garvey, Hugh Drunk	Dover
24	27	5	Giguire, Rene Larceny	Rochester
21	4	2	Goddard, Robert D. Driving under the in- fluence of liquor	Farmington
35	9	3	Green, Ralph Larceny	Rochester
55	9	0	Greenwood, John Drunk	Rochester
62	3	5	Grenier, Fred Drunk	Dover
39	7	3	Grimes, John Drunk	Dover
53	1	1	Guppy, Henry Idle person	Dover
41	20	2	Hall, Lois Vagrancy	Rochester
42	3	6	Hallworth, Henry Drunk	Dover
50	6	3	Hanahan, John Drunk	Dover
58	3	6	Hanegan, Patrick Drunk	Somersworth
59	11	3	Hanegan, Patrick Drunk	Somersworth



<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
59	3	2	Hanegan, Patrick Drunk	Somersworth
71	4	2	Hanlon, John Drunk	Dover
71	13	4	Hanlon, John Drunk and disturbing the peace	Dover
71	16	1	Hanlon, John Drunk	Dover
26	5	6	Hassen, Harry Larceny	Dover
63	4	2	Hayes, John T. Driving while under influence of liquor	Rochester
24	1	1	Hayes, Wm. A. Larceny	Dover
44	6	1	Hendrickson, Oluf (Alias) Wm. Hennessey Trespassing	Dover
35	28	6	Henry, Wm. T. Larceny	Dover
47	10	5	Houston, Charles T. Drunk	Dover
35	1	5	Howard, John Drunk	Rochester
25	17	6	Hoyt, Edgar Vagrancy	Dover
49	4	6	Hyland, George Drunk	Rochester

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
30	5	3	Jacques, Hertel Drunk	Farmington
40	26	0	Kane, Wm. Drunk	Dover
40	15	5	Kane, Wm. Drunk	Dover
20	14	2	Kirkpatrick, Douglas Driving while under the influence of liquor	Rochester
48	4	5	Knaster, Albert Drunk	Rochester
39	10	5	Kratz, Charles Idle person	Dover
39	1	1	Kratz, Charles Idle person	Dover
54	19	2	Lamie, Diana Drunk	Rochester
34	4	4	Laughlin, John Drunk	Rochester
35	17	0	Laughlin, John Drunk	Rochester
48	7	1	Leclere, Jerry Drunk	Somersworth
48	0	3	Leclere, Jerry Drunk	Somersworth
39	16	6	Limoge, Oliver J. Larceny	Rochester
53	15	0	Loud, William Larceny	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
19	41	6	Mantos, Louis Breaking and entering	Dover
54	10	5	Marsh, Roy Drunk	Dover
54	2	5	Martel, Adelard Drunk and disturbance	Dover
54	4	1	McAllister, Charles Drunk	Rochester
54	15	4	McCarthy, Cornelius Drunk and disturbance	Dover
74	17	6	McCoey, John Drunk	Dover
32	0	2	McDonald, Francis J. Larceny of auto	Rochester
34	0	1	McDonald, L. M. Drunk and disturbance	Farmington
31	24	0	McKone, Frank J. Drunk	Dover
32	13	1	McKone, Frank J. Drunk	Dover
46	6	3	Maguire, Michael Drunk	Dover
46	2	6	Maguire, Michael Drunk	Dover
21	4	5	Mativier, Lucien Driving while under in- fluence of liquor	Somersworth
61	16	0	McLean, Geo. H. Disturbing the peace	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
47	1	5	McQuade, Terrance Drunk	Dover
47	15	0	McQuade, Terrance Drunk	Dover
28	37	1	Merrill, Charles Larceny	Dover
40	3	1	Miller, Samuel Drunk and disturbance	Rochester
40	1	4	Miller, Samuel Drunk (2 mitt.)	Rochester
39	1	0	Montgomery, Dan Attempt to steal	Rochester
29	5	1	Miller, Roy Drunk	Farmington
35	3	5	Mooney, Michael Drunk and disturbance	Dover
75	6	3	Murphy, James Drunk	Dover
75	7	4	Murphy, James Drunk	Dover
45	8	0	Nadeau, Emile Drunk	Somersworth
45	14	2	Nadeau, Emile Drunk	Somersworth
45	5	4	Nadeau, Emile Drunk	Somersworth
45	5	6	Nadeau, Emile Drunk	Somersworth

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
39	27	2	Newcomb, Carl Illegal sale of liquor	Rochester
65	20	3	Paul, Victor Drunk	Dover
66	6	1	Paul, Victor Drunk	Dover
35	9	0	Payour, John Driving under the in- fluence of liquor	Rochester
60	4	4	Pendleton, Lew Drunk	Farmington
56	7	4	Perreault, Cyrille Drunk	Rochester
33	10	1	Perry, John Driving under the in- fluence of liquor	Rochester
45	8	1	Peters, Walter E. Drunk	Dover
46	11	1	Peters, Walter E. Drunk	Dover
21	28	0	Pike, James Forgery	Dover
22	9	0	Plaisted, Harry Aggravated assault	Dover
58	6	1	Pluff, Alexander Illegal sale	Rochester
55	15	3	Pineo, Wm. Drunk and disturbance	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
49	6	3	Podvin, Adolph A. Drunk	Dover
49	5	6	Podvin, Adolph A. Drunk	Dover
19	41	6	Poirier, Edward G. Breaking, entering and larceny	Dover
43	36	4	Reed, Fred (Alias) Wm. Bussy Indecent exposure	Rochester
64	12	3	Reed, James Drunk	Dover
27	2	3	Riley, James Drunk	Farmington
27	8	5	Riley, James Drunk	Farmington
28	9	3	Riley, James Drunk	Rochester
36	8	1	Robichaud, David Illegal sale of liquor	Rochester
51	17	6	Roy, John P. Drunk	Dover
52	16	2	Salois, Corne Illegal sale of liquor	Rochester
44	10	2	Sandock, Anthony Drunk	Dover
42	4	6	Shanahan, James J. Drunk	Dover



<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
55	15	3	Smith, John T. Forgery	Dover
20	0	5	Stuart, Earl Assault	Rochester
40	6	3	Sullivan, Daniel Drunk	Dover
43	7	2	Sylvain, Fred Drunk (2 mitt.)	Rochester
49	8	4	Tanner, George Drunk	Rochester
63	10	5	Tatro, Sylvester Drunk	Dover
40	1	0	Taylor, Paul Attempt to steal	Rochester
63	11	0	Temple, William Drunk	Dover
64	6	3	Temple, William Drunk	Dover
64	13	5	Temple, William Drunk	Dover
54	15	3	Tenney, Warren Drunk	Dover
53	17	3	Thibeault, Henry Drunk	Rollinsford
22	27	6	Thibeault, Arthur Forgery	Dover
58	6	3	Tilton, Herbert C. Drunk	Dover

<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
78	6	0	Tyman, John Drunk	Dover
79	7	4	Tyman, John Drunk	Dover
50	10	0	Vachon, Peter Drunk (2 mitt.)	Farmington
50	4	6	Vachon, Wilfred Drunk	Dover
50	8	4	Valley, Charles E. Intent to cheat and defraud	Rochester
24	14	2	Vigneault, Arthur Drunk and disturbing the peace	Rollinsford
35	6	3	Wallace, Frank A. Drunk	Dover
35	2	6	Wallace, Frank A. Drunk and disturbing the peace	Dover
31	24	1	Walsh, Lawrence Drunk	Dover
42	6	6	White, Daniel T. Drunk and disturbing the peace	Dover
41	11	5	White, Sterling Non-support	Farmington
64	11	0	Wiggin, Fred N. Drunk	Farmington

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<i>Age</i>	<i>Weeks</i>	<i>Days</i>	<i>Name and Offense</i>	<i>Committed from</i>
27	4	1	Willey, George F. Drunk and disturbing the peace	Farmington
28	5	2	Willey, George Drunk	Farmington
40	3	4	Winn, Eugene P. Drunk	Dover
21	0	2	Willey, Murray Seymore Operating motor vehicle while under the influence of liquor	Rochester
29	8	4	Worrell, Elmer Aggravated assault	Rochester
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## DEATHS AT STRAFFORD COUNTY FARM IN 1938

		Age
Patrick McArdle	January 16	73
Arthur H. Rowe	January 16	54
Frank L. Lord	January 17	50
Charles Whitehouse	January 30	71
Stephen S. Walsh	March 1	65
Hilaire Vachon	March 18	52
Walter Senten	March 30	67
William F. Hanson	April 8	87
Samuel Drew	April 17	69
James E. Murray	April 29	74
Joseph Habell	May 1	74
Walter I. Brown	May 20	60
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Jack Frasier	June 6	73
John Albert Fountain	July 13	61
Annie Davis	August 8	77
Jos. Thomas Fogarty	August 12	65
Frank D. Tibbetts	September 6	85
Joseph Andrews	July 23	76
Charles W. Page	November 3	83
Charles Hoyt	December 17	91
Frank Ingalls	December 20	88

LIST OF VEGETABLES RAISED AT STRAFFORD  
COUNTY FARM FOR 1938

Shell beans	45 bushel
String beans	150 bushel
Beets	80 bushel
Carrots	80 bushel
Turnips	150 bushel
Sweet corn	400 bushel
Cucumbers	100 bushel
Cabbage	5500 heads
Lettuce	400 heads
Pumpkins	1000 lbs.
Squash	4000 lbs.
Rhubarb	800 lbs.
Green Peppers	100 lbs.
Tomatoes	200 bushel
Potatoes	1725 bushel
Onions	50 bushel
Dry beans	50 bushel
Swiss chard	80 bushel
Melons (canelope)	200

## OTHER PRODUCE

Hay	200 tons
Ensilage	300 tons
2nd crop hay	10 tons
Bedding	3 tons
Lambs killed	1169 lbs.
Chickens and fowl killed	1884 lbs.
Pigs killed	19,645 lbs.
Beef and veal killed	2741 lbs.
Butter made	5122 lbs.
Eggs produced	3280½ doz.











